

may 6, 1980

Memo to File:

RE: General Refractories  
Tooele County, Utah  
DOE/045/012-013

On May 2, 1980, Tom Suchoski and Mary Ann Wright of the Division met Mr. Larry Morton of General Refractories at the site of a sandstone quartzite mine. The purpose of the visit was to determine any potential problems from the proposed mining operation. After looking over the site and the plans proposed for the site it was determined by Tom and Mary Ann that the site would be eligible for an exemption to the Mined Land Reclamation Act.

Interpace owns the surface and minerals at the site which General Refractories proposes to mine. The plans include a 3 week operation which will remove 10,000 tons of sandstone and stockpile it temporarily on the site. A small crusher will be brought into the site which will be of approximate dimensions of 50 by 5 feet and the sandstone will be crushed. The area which was determined on site for disturbance will be approximately 1.6 acres. A road presently exists to the site which is used by farmers in the area.

The location of the site is in parts of Section 14 and 23, Township 4 South, and Range 6 West. The site is located on the east side of the south end of the Stansbury Mountains. Large portions of the surrounding area consists of farming. The immediate site contains several low hills with roughly outcropping sandstone. The vegetative cover of the hills is primarily juniper, interspersed with sage and forbs.



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Mr. Morton stated that he would transmit our evaluation of the site to Mr. Glen Jones of General Refractories Company in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and suggest that a Declaration of Exemption form be filed. Mr. Jones called the Division on the afternoon of May 2, 1980, and stated that he would go ahead and file the MR-1 and MR-2 Forms and include a letter stating that this would qualify as a D.O.E. operation.

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